

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following is the status of the claims of the above-captioned application, as amended.

Claims 1-87 (Canceled).

Claim 88 (Currently amended). A modified subtilase comprising one or more of the following substitutions:

- (a) a substitution of the amino acid residue at position 167 with Met, or Pro, or Trp,
- (b) a substitution of the amino acid residue at position 170 with Ile, Met, or Val,
- (c) a substitution of the amino acid residue at position 171 with Met, Pro or Trp, and
- (d) a substitution of the amino acid residue at position 194 with Ile, Met, Phe, Trp, or Val,

wherein each position corresponds to a position of the amino acid sequence of subtilisin BPN' (SEQ ID NO: 7).

Claim 89 (Currently amended). The modified subtilase of claim 88, which comprises a substitution of the amino acid residue at position 167 with Met, or Pro, or Trp.

Claim 90 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilase of claim 88, which comprises a substitution of the amino acid residue at position 170 with Ile, Met, or Val.

Claim 91 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilase of claim 88, which comprises a substitution of the amino acid residue at position 171 with Met, Pro or Trp.

Claim 92 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilase of claim 88, which comprises a substitution of the amino acid residue at position 194 with Ile, Met, Phe, Trp, or Val.

Claim 93 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilase of claim 88, further comprising at least one further mutation at one or more of positions: 27, 36, 57, 76, 97, 101, 104, 120, 123, 206, 218, 222, 224, 235 and 274.

Claim 94 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilase of claim 93, wherein at least one further mutation is selected from the group consisting of K27R, *36D, S57P, N76D, G97N, S101G, V104A, V104N, V104Y, H120D, N123S, Q206E, N218S, M222A, M222S, T224S, K235L, and T274A.

Claim 95 (Previously submitted). A detergent composition comprising a modified subtilase of claim 88 and a surfactant.

Claim 96 (Currently amended). A modified subtilisin 309 comprising one or both of the following substitutions:

(a) a substitution of Glu at position 136 with Ala, Asn, Cys, Gly, His, Ser, Thr, or Tyr, and

(b) a substitution ~~at selected from the group consisting of~~ Y171A, Y171C, Y171G, Y171H, Y171I, Y171L, Y171M, Y171N, Y171P, Y171Q, Y171S, ~~or and~~ Y171W, wherein each position corresponds to a position of the amino acid sequence of subtilisin BPN' (SEQ ID NO: 7).

Claim 97 (Canceled).

Claim 98 (Canceled).

Claim 99 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilisin 309 of claim 96, further comprising at least one further mutation at one or more of positions: 27, 36, 57, 76, 97, 101, 104, 120, 123, 194, 206, 218, 222, 224, 235 and 274.

Claim 100 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilisin 309 of claim 99, wherein at least one further mutation is selected from the group consisting of K27R, *36D, S57P, N76D, G97N, S101G, V104A, V104N, V104Y, H120D, N123S, A194P, Q206E, N218S, M222A, M222S, T224S, K235L, and T274A.

Claim 101 (Previously submitted). A detergent composition comprising a modified subtilisin 309 of claim 96 and a surfactant.

Claim 102 (Currently amended). A modified subtilisin 147 comprising one or both of the following substitutions:

- (a) a substitution of Glu at position 136 with Ala, Asn, Cys, Gly, His, Ser, Thr, or Tyr,
- (b) a substitution at-selected from the group consisting of Y171A, Y171C, Y171G, Y171H, Y171I, Y171L, Y171M, Y171N, Y171P, Y171Q, Y171S, or-and Y171W, wherein each position corresponds to a position of the amino acid sequence of subtilisin BPN' (SEQ ID NO: 7).

Claim 103 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilisin 147 of claim 102, further comprising at least one further mutation at one or more of positions: 27, 36, 57, 76, 97, 101, 104, 120, 123, 194, 206, 218, 222, 224, 235 and 274.

Claim 104 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilisin 147 of claim 103, wherein at least one further mutation is selected from the group consisting of K27R, *36D, S57P, N76D, G97N, S101G, V104A, V104N, V104Y, H120D, N123S, A194P, Q206E, N218S, M222A, M222S, T224S, K235L, and T274A.

Claim 105 (Previously submitted). A detergent composition comprising a modified subtilisin 147 of claim 102 and a surfactant.

Claim 106 (Currently amended). A modified *Bacillus* protease PB92 comprising a substitution at-selected from the group consisting of Y171A, Y171C, Y171G, Y171H, Y171I, Y171L, Y171M, Y171N, Y171P, Y171Q, Y171S, or-and Y171W, wherein each position corresponds to a position of the amino acid sequence of subtilisin BPN' (SEQ ID NO: 7).

Claim 107 (Previously submitted). The modified *Bacillus* protease PB92 of claim 106, further comprising at least one further mutation at one or more of positions: 27, 36, 57, 76, 97, 101, 104, 120, 123, 194, 206, 218, 222, 224, 235 and 274.

Claim 108 (Previously submitted). The modified *Bacillus* protease PB92 of claim 107, wherein at least one further mutation is selected from the group consisting of K27R, *36D, S57P, N76D, G97N, S101G, V104A, V104N, V104Y, H120D, N123S, A194P, Q206E, N218S, M222A, M222S, T224S, K235L, and T274A.

Claim 109 (Previously submitted). A detergent composition comprising a modified *Bacillus* protease PB92 of claim 106 and a surfactant.

Claim 110 (Previously submitted). A modified subtilisin BPN' comprising a substitution of Lys at position 136 with Ala, Asn, Cys, Gly, His, Ser, Thr, or Tyr, wherein each position corresponds to a position of the amino acid sequence of subtilisin BPN' (SEQ ID NO: 7).

Claim 111 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilisin BPN' of claim 110, further comprising at least one further mutation at one or more of positions: 27, 36, 57, 76, 97, 101, 104, 120, 123, 194, 206, 218, 222, 224, 235 and 274.

Claim 112 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilisin BPN' of claim 111, wherein at least one further mutation is selected from the group consisting of K27R, *36D, S57P, N76D, G97N, S101G, V104A, V104N, V104Y, H120D, N123S, A194P, Q206E, N218S, M222A, M222S, T224S, K235L, and T274A.

Claim 113 (Previously submitted). A detergent composition comprising a modified subtilisin BPN' of claim 110 and a surfactant.

Claim 114 (Previously submitted). A modified subtilisin Carlsberg comprising a substitution of Lys at position 136 with Ala, Asn, Cys, Gly, His, Ser, Thr, or Tyr, wherein the position corresponds to a position of the amino acid sequence of subtilisin BPN' (SEQ ID NO: 7).

Claim 115 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilisin Carlsberg of claim 114, further comprising at least one further mutation at one or more of positions: 27, 36, 57, 76, 97, 101, 104, 120, 123, 194, 206, 218, 222, 224, 235 and 274.

Claim 116 (Previously submitted). The modified subtilisin Carlsberg of claim 115, wherein at least one further mutation is selected from the group consisting of K27R, *36D, S57P, N76D, G97N, S101G, V104A, V104N, V104Y, H120D, N123S, A194P, Q206E, N218S, M222A, M222S, T224S, K235L, and T274A.

Claim 117 (Previously submitted). A detergent composition comprising a modified subtilisin Carlsberg of claim 114 and a surfactant.